FISCAL NOTE

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: January 23, 1996

SUBJECT: SB 2037

This bill, if enacted, will regulate vessels defined as "personal watercraft" and clarify the specifications for rearview mirrors on personal watercraft used for towing and the responsibility of the owner or person in charge.

Violations of the provisions of this bill are punishable as follows:

Class B misdemeanor with a sentence of up to 6 months imprisonment and a fine not to exceed \$500.

Class A misdemeanor with a sentence of up to 11 months and 29 days imprisonment and a fine not to exceed \$2,500.

The fiscal impact from enactment of this bill will depend upon the number of persons convicted of this offense and the resultant increased cost to local governments to confine such persons versus the increased revenue to local governments from fines levied and collected under the provisions of this bill. Therefore, the fiscal impact cannot be readily determined, but is estimated not to be significant.

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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James A. Davenport, Executive Director